

Our ref: FR/SW

16th June 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Yr. 10 Summer Term

During July we have a number of in-school activities occurring for Year 10. These events are designed to give our students an insight into different aspects of life. They range from career possibilities, financial responsibilities, teamwork skills and relationship development. Please see below for an overview of each activity.

Junior Achievement: Monday 3rd July

Our work with Junior Achievement continues with a programme entitled “Get a Job” on Monday 3rd July. The aim is to give students the opportunity to learn about the recruitment and selection process used by employers and to give them the skills and knowledge they need to find and secure employment. The programme takes students through every aspect of searching and applying for a job. They will learn how to develop transferable skills, create an on-line CV and understand how to put together a covering letter and application form. Students will also cover how to prepare for an interview and the different types of questions used by employers. The session is delivered by volunteers from local businesses who work with Junior Achievement.

LoveLife: Wednesday 12th July

On Wednesday 12th July all students will take part in a series of sessions delivered by LoveLife focusing on relationships and sexual health. These sessions will be delivered in tutor groups with the aim of raising awareness of the issues surrounding these areas, as well as looking at student self-esteem and self-worth. These sessions are very effective and have proven most beneficial to students in the past. Students will also undertake an anonymous online questionnaire before the sessions in order to gauge which topics would be of most benefit. This programme has been approved by the Department of Education and Children and the Department of Public Health.

Memorial Walk: Thursday 13th July

Our Memorial Walk will be on Thursday 13th July, all students have been issued with collection cards and should hand in any donations to their tutors as and when collected. Further details will be sent out nearer the time. In case of poor weather, the reserve day is Friday 14th July.

Science Revision Day: Friday 14th July

On the 14th of July there will be a Year 10 revision day for IGCSE science and students will be focusing on the Practical Assessment Paper (PAP) section of the IGCSE. During the morning the students will be organised into tutor groups and placed in science labs where they will complete 3 PAP based practicals in Biology, Chemistry and Physics. This will be aimed at the more commonly examined practical skills in each subject. Year 10 will then be changed onto first lunch to give 3 lessons in the afternoon. During the afternoon, students will carry out the alternative to practical papers and mark them using mark schemes, these will be closely related to the practical lessons they carried out in the morning for each subject (Biology, Chemistry and Physics). If there is poor weather on Thursday 13th and the Memorial Walk is postponed, the Science Revision will move to Thursday.

Work Experience Week:

All Year 10 students will be on work experience for 5 days from Monday 17th July to Friday 21st July inclusive. Students have either self-placed or will receive an allocation from their www.employed.im shortlist. The information packs are being sent home and placed students will need to make contact with their employer to complete their forms before returning them to school.

GCSE Examination Results:

All students have been sent personal login details for the Cambridge iGCSE August 10th results, there is no in-school support available for Year 10 students before Thursday 24th August. Non-CIE results for Year 10 will be available after 11am from the Sixth Form study area.

If you have any questions about any of these sessions please do not hesitate to contact me. Finally, as our days grow warmer, may I wish you and your family a lovely summer.

Yours faithfully

Mrs F Roome
Key Stage 4 Leader